## Troopers Arrest Two Wilmington Women for Felony Assault on Law Enforcement Officers- Bear

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Ja'aonne Bell

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Azaina Davis

**Bear**— Delaware State Police arrested **Ja'aonne Bell, 20,** of Wilmington, and **Azaina Davis** 21, of Wilmington for felony assault on law enforcement officers after acting disorderly and assaulting troopers inside of a Wawa early Monday morning.

Shortly after midnight, on Monday, December 27, 2021, troopers were dispatched to the Wawa, located at 3601 Wrangle Hill Road, Bear, DE, for a reported fight in progress inside of the store. While units were responding, troopers leaned that several patrons and store employees were huddled inside of the manager's office with the door locked. It was reported that one of the suspects was actively trying to force her way into the office and was threatening those inside. Troopers arrived on scene and confronted two female suspects, later identified as Ja'aonne Bell and Azaina Davis. When the officers ordered the suspects to surrender, they actively began resisting arrest. Throughout the incident, the suspects spat in the officers' faces, assaulted them, and scratched the face of After a prolonged encounter, the suspects were finally taken into custody. It was at this time, Azaina Davis advised officers she was hyperventilating and wanted medical EMS arrived on scene and during transport to the hospital, Davis actively fought with EMS personnel. She was

ultimately treated and released from the hospital and transported back to Troop 2.

Through investigation it was learned that the two female suspects arrived at the Wrangle Hill Road WAWA to make a purchase. After exiting the building, they were unable to find the keys to their car and became frustrated. Tensions mounted and the female subjects demanded the WAWA employees get their car opened, however, the employees were unable to. The two females became irate and began damaging numerous displays and merchandise inside of the store. The suspects then assaulted a WAWA employee, and a good Samaritan after they tried to intervene.

Two troopers were treated at Christiana Hospital for exposure to bodily fluids from suspects. The other troopers who were assaulted did not seek medical treatment.

At Troop 2 the suspects were charged with the following crimes:

## Azaina Davis

- Assault 2nd Degree Injure a Law Enforcement Officer (Felony)
- Resisting Arrest with Force (Felony)
- Conspiracy 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (Felony)
- Criminal Mischief, Damage Property Over \$5,000 (Felony)
- Offensive Touching with Bodily Fluid- 2 counts
- Offensive Touching of a Law Enforcement Officer
- Offensive Touching
- Disorderly Conduct
- Criminal Nuisance

Davis was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and released on \$6,000 unsecured bond.

## <u>Ja'aonne Bell</u>

- Resisting Arrest with Force (Felony)
- Conspiracy 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree (Felony)
- Criminal Mischief, Damage Property Over \$5,000 (Felony)
- Offensive Touching with Bodily Fluid
- Offensive Touching
- Disorderly Conduct
- Criminal Nuisance

Bell was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and released on \$5,000 unsecured bond.

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